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Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Mustang Band To Perform 'Bandfest 2003' Nov. 15

SAN LUIS OBISPO - The Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, the Wind Ensemble and the 100-member Mustang Band will present "A Wind Instrument Spectacular" at Bandfest 2003, set for 8 p.m. Nov. 15 in Harman Hall in the Christopher Cohan Center.

The concert will feature both new and familiar works. The Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble will join together to perform "Twelve Seconds to the Moon" by Robert W. Smith as a tribute to the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers' first powered flight at Kitty Hawk on Dec. 17, 1903.

"This dramatic work paints a powerful musical picture of that first 12-second flight and then continues with a powerful representation of the flight to the moon," said Music Professor William Johnson, conductor of the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble. "The work ends with victorious excitement and joy."

The orchestra and ensemble will also perform the West Coast premiere of "Bandancing" by Jack Stamp, "March" from "Symphonic Metamorphosis" by Paul Hindemith, "Vesuvius" by Frank Ticheli, and the Overture to "Nabucco" by Giuseppe Verdi.

Music senior Holly Ransom will be featured in Gordon Jacob's Cameos for Bass Trombone and Wind Orchestra.

"Harman Hall will resonate with the Mustang Band's potpourri of stadium musical highlights," Johnson said. David Rackley conducts the Mustang Band.

Tickets to the concert are \$7 to \$15 and can be bought at the Performing Arts Ticket Office 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday. Tickets can be ordered by calling SLO-ARTS (756-2787).

The concert is sponsored by Cal Poly's College of Liberal Arts, the Music Department and the Instructionally Related Activities Program. For more information, call the Music Department at 756-2607.

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